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QUINTUPLE SHEET.

NEW YORK, SUNDAY, MAY 5, 1878.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS .- To insure the proper classification of advertisements it is absolutely necessary that they be handed in before eight o'clock every evening.

The probabilities are that the weather in New York and its vicinity to-day will be warm and hazy or partly cloudy, probably with occasional light showers. To-morrow it promises to be

WALL STREET YESTERDAY .- The stock market was dull and steady. Gold sold all day at 10038. Government bonds were firm, States dull and railroads strong. Monby on call was easy at 4 a 5 per cent, and closed at 212 per cent.

THE EXHIBITION of dogs in this city next week will, it is expected, be the finest ever held in this country.

NEW ORLEANS prefers greenbacks to gold. What better evidence could we have of a con-

GILMORE'S BAND sailed yesterday on the City of Berlin. She ought not to linger on the waves for want of wind.

IF REPORT be true Mrs. Tilton is writing another chapter in the famous scandal-a state. ment sustaining her recent confession.

THE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR deficit of the American Bible Society is not a very cheering sign of the times in an evangelical point of view.

SIXTY-THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS for liquor licenses during the week shows a pretty flourishing condition of business at the Excise Bureau.

THE FAST MAIL service to Havana has sud dealy broken down, owing to the refusal of a railroad to run without a subsidy. Why the road started without a subsidy is the mystery.

THE FUNERAL of the late Senator Morrissey at Troy, vesterday, was largely attended by his political friends and opponents and by thousands of persons in private life who appreciated the better qualities of his character.

THE EXACT NUMBER of those who unfortunately lost their lives in the Minneapolis explosion has not been ascertained; but it will be at least upward of tifty or sixty. Seven bodies were exhumed yesterday, but they were so mutilated as to be beyond all recognition.

COLORED LABORERS, it seems, are in demand In Brazil. A special act has been passed suspending the law against their immigration, and those who decide to go will enjoy all the rights of American citizens. The anti-slavery people must select another field for their philanthropy.

OF COURSE the Montreal Orangemen have declined to comply with the request of the clergymen to abandon their parade on the 12th of July. The glorious, pious and immortal mempry of King William must not be slighted in that way. Let us see what the other side will do when they are asked to give up their little

In Conquess vesterday the noteworthy feature was the close vote in the House on the proposition to largely increase the elerical force of the Surgeon General's office, upon the pretence that it was necessary to do so to facilitate the settlement of pension claims. The Speaker by his his vote tied the House and thereby defeated the

THE SPANISH MINISTER finds himself in the unpleasant position of defendant in a suit for one hundred thousand dollars, instituted by detective, who claims that he was engaged to report the movements of Don Carlos after his defeat. It is difficult to see how any information concerning that young man could be worth one cent to anybody.

Atmorga Penatro, the California borseman, failed yesterday in accomplishing the task be had set himself of riding three hundred and five miles in fifteen hours, his defeat is in reality a very great triumph of physical strength and endurance. He was only ten minutes behind, and if the weather had been more favorable there can be no doubt he would have entirely succeeded in his extraordinary effort.

THE WEATHER.-The depression overlies the northern lake region and Canada and extends its influence into the Middle and New England States. The pressure remains high on the Southern coast and Eastern Gulf and is very high in Texas and Colorado. Rain has fallen mainly in the Ohio Valley and South Atlantie States. The temperatures have fallen generally throughout all the districts except in the north ern New England States, where there is a slight rise. The winds are brisk on the Middle and New England coasts and in the West; in the lake region they are from light to fresh, and in the other districts generally light. Local storms passed through the const districts of the Middle States, with heavy rains and very threatening appearance of the sky. The weather in New York and its vicinity to-day will be warm and hazy or partly cloudy, probably with occasional light showers. To-morrow it promises to be cooler and clear.

War Rumors-The Russians and the Fentaus.

Apparently the endeavor to preserve the peace of Europe has been abandoned by the diplomatists, and Russia and England are drifting certainly and not very slowly toward what seems for the moment an inevitable collision. Negotiations for the withdrawal of the respective forces from the neighborhood of Constantinople that were for some time kept up on a fair tone of conciliation and compromise have at length assumed, through a declaration of England, a domineering and dictatorial style that could only be accepted by a Power prepared to humble itself and submit to any terms. England demands that the Russian army shall first be withdrawn from the neighborhood of Constantinople, and pledges that her fleet shall be withdrawn when that is done. This requires that Russia shall absolutely commit her case to the honor of England -and to England under the government of the same party whose leader declared it was better to violate the most sacred pledge a nation could make than to give up Malta. As Constantinople is of far more consequence than Malta Russia may well doubt whether she can safely trust herself to the pledge of such a Power. She may also the more fairly refuse to accept England's pledge because the whole conduct of England in all the negotiations has turned on her distrust of Russia; because her policy has been based upon the theory that no confidence whatever was to be placed in any pledge or promise of the Russian Emperor. Russia will therefore certainly not accept this arrangement. As the likelihood of an agreement on this

point becomes improbable, and as the pro-

ject of the Congress seems to pass out of sight, the relations of the Russians to the Moslems come into the foreground as a subject of great immediate moment. It is undeniable that these have changed, greatly to the prejudice of the Russians, since the cessation of hostilities. At that moment Turkey was so literally overwhelmed, so utterly in the dust, that the consideration what attitude she might assume in the event of war between Russia and England received no attention. She could not have turned a feather in the scale one way or the other. She had no army, no general, no organization. Her soldiery was a wild, demoralized rabble. Her defensive positions at Constantinople were virtually in the hands of the invaders. But the three months during which the Russians have been beguiled with the fancy of English negotiations have been improved by the Sultan's government. In respect to this change Russia is in great part the victim of her own generosity. She might justly have shot Osman Pacha for the murder of Russian prisoners at Plevna, and if she had done this she would have consulted wisely her own advantage. Now she is confronted with the fact that this soldier, the prestige of whose name gives him a wonderful influence over the soldiers, has gathered up and organized the loose rabble, and holds a good army behind fortified lines in the way of the Russian advance to Constantinople. He will hardly make the fight there that he did at Plevna, and the Russians can scarcely blunder again as they did there; yet the fact, at its least value, unpleasantly complicates the case for Russia by the circumstance that she must once more conquer the foe she has already overwhelmed in this same war. But that she is at last aware of the fact that she has suffered the Moslem to slip through her fingers too far in the attention she has given to English negotiations is evident from the news that General Todleben will resume active operations immediately if the fortresses are not evacuated in accordance with the San Stefano Treaty. Indeed, Russia is ready and should act. Her delay has given the Turks a new opportunity, and every day that is lost in dependence on diplomacy gives England time for preparation. England was helpless when her protest was first made. She is not helpless

Presia is well inspired, therefore, if she elects to act energetically now and to lose no more time in futile efforts to placate England's ill will. She cannot descend far enough to satisfy England. She must fight eventually and had better fight now. She has eparated Austria from the possibility of an English alliance. France will certainly keep apart; for the declaration of the Prince of Wales' "passionate attachment" to that country just made at the Exposition will not turn the head of any one in Paris or elsewhere. Russia must, therefore, fight England only of Western nations, and cannot regard the case as a difficult one. Some schemes attributed to her seem not very wise. It may be true, as reported, that the Russians have turned their eyes toward Canada as a comparatively defenceless point at which they could inflict some harm on the British Empire ; but we have hitherto given them credit for less wasteful views in the use of their force. If they believe that the devastation of the coasts of Canada will hurt England they do not understand the nation with which they are about to fight. If in the days when Alaska was still a Russian possession any Power at war with the Czar should have sent an expedition across two oceans to harass the Alaskan settlements, and fancied it was inflicting damage on Russia, the ribs of the Muscovites would have been shaken with the excellence of the joke. Over such absurd waste of an enemy's force Russia would have rejoiced, and England will rejoice no less over any strength that Russia may spend on the Canada coast or in Canadian rivers. Doubtless the Russians, if they seriously contemplate any operations in Canada or on the Canadian coast, propose to strike at that country as one of the fields from which England hopes to recruit her armies. They want to give the Canadians-by the exhibition of the fact that their own firesides may be in danger-good reasons for staying at home and detending them. From Canada the English government has counted that it may draw ten thousand troops. That number of soldiers scarcely requires so much attention from a nation with nearly a million men under arms.

But if the Russians seem ill advised in such a diversion of their force from fields | more peaceful quarters.

in which it might aid in the accomplishment of legitimate belligerent objects, what shall be said of the alliance they are reported to have made for this purpose with the Fenians? This also must be accepted as an evidence of complete ignorance of the state of the British Empire and of the "grievances" of certain British subjects over which there has been made so disproportionate a noise. The government that is so far removed from the possibility of comprehension of Western ideas that it believes a war in Canada will hurt England may be excused for believing that the Irishmen who have roared so lustily over the wrongs of their country may be relied upon to fight in any cause or under any colors where they can get a fair chance to have a stroke at the Power they deem their enemy. Some facts in the past history of France even justify this conception to some extent. But these are other times. In Ireland itself the British recruiting sergeant will have as much success as ever, while of the Irishmen in this country. divided into two main classes, neither class means to fight. Nearly all that are disposed to industry are profitably employed, and the others are mere adventurers, who raise the cry of Irish grievances to exploit as adventurers a generous and patriotic sentiment of the Irish people. If Russian agents have listened to the stories of persons of this stamp they are dealing with swindlers.

On the part of all worthy Irishmen in the United States the view is taken that if they are citizens they cannot violate our laws out of consideration of service to any foreign country; and if they are not citizens the obligation to the national hospitality is a motive equally cogent. If these are not sufficient to prevent attempts to violate the neutrality the government of the United States may be depended upon to compel observance of the laws. But these reports of Russo-Fenian descents on Canada point the possibility that we may have the war at our doors, in which case it will assume a far livelier interest for us than when the chronicle has only to deal with far away events in the Sea of Marmora, the Dardanelles and Roumelia.

The Transit of Mercury. General attention is directed to an astronomical event the anticipation of which has created a co-operative movement among the observers of Europe and America in the interest of science. Although transits of Mercury are of comparatively frequent occurrence the opportunities they have hitherto afforded for a study of the planet have been rather barren of results, and the approaching transit of the 6th is therefore looked forward to for the correction of many errors that have arisen in former observations, as well as for the settlement of questions in dispute as to the movements and physical constitution of Mercury. Besides the astronomers of our own universities, who will make careful observations in different parts of the country, two special commissions have been organized for that purpose. One of these represents the United States Naval Observatory at Washington, and will observe the transit at Austin, Texas. The other is sent out by the French government, and has already established its station at Ogden. Utah Territory. From the work of the astronomers so engaged we may look for very important results. Improved telescopic and and the most accurate measurements possible will be made of the planet Mercury. On another page we give a brief but interesting description of the transit as already calculated, and suggestions as to how it may be observed by means of common telescopes, or even opera glasses.

A Strange Craft.

The neighborhood of the Battery yesterday was excited by the appearance of a singular craft which was seen in the bay making its way slowly under tow toward New York. The discovery of the rebel Merrimae as she passed out by Sewall's Point on the eventful morning of the 8th of March, 1862, occurred to the memory of many of those who gazed on the unknown visitor, and it was imagined by some that the " 'longshore meeting house afloat" might be a novel Russian vessel of war prepared to capture Canada or to sweep British commerce from the Atlantic Ocean. A few ventured the prediction that it might turn out to be a terrible iron-clad bearing letters of marque from one or other of the rival political factions in the pugnacious First ward and ready to finish the war whose first gun awoke the echoes of the First precinct cells a few days ago. When the news reached as high as Wall street some were disposed to believe it to be an infernal machine for the purpose of blowing Erie reconstruction out of water since the failure of legal bombshells to effect that object. But as the suspicious craft drew near it was evident from its gay decorations and its enlivening music that its mission must be a peaceful one. So indeed it proved to be, since it left behind it all it had ever known of war or dissension and made its way steadily to a harbor of peace and safety.

The "craft" was neither more nor less than the handsome club house of the New York Yacht Club, which, by the aid of scows placed under the building at low tide, had been raised from the piles on which her platform rested and at high water was towed from her old station to her new anchorage at Alpine Grove, on the west bank of the Hudson, opposite Yonkers. It will be remembered that the club house had been subjected in the past to attacks, both physical and legal, from jealous Staten Island interests, to the discomfort of the members and the scandal of the island. Although these assaults were successfully resisted the determination to change the locality of the house was a wise one, and there will be only one loser by it. Staten Island will miss the fashionable and attractive club house gatherings which used to enliven that dull locality during the yachting season, while

Coaching to Philadelphia.

The crowning feat in modern stage coaching in America was accomplished yesterday, when the "Tally Ho" successfully journeyed from New York to Philadelphia between sunrise and sunset, and a fresh impetus has thus been given to this charming amusement on this continent. That the trip proved a success was to be expected from the ample and careful preparation the skill of the several coachand men who handled the ribbons in turn during the hundred-mile ride, but we doubt if even these enthusiastic gentlemen anticipated the ovation that was accorded them all along the route. Starting in the early sunlight, at an hour when the city has scarcely awakened to the realities of another day, the "Tally Ho" and its merry load of passengers found many pleasant faces in the streets and cordial greetings at every turn, thus commencing the journey under the happiest auspices. Crossing the Hudson, the coach rattled through Jersey City in fine style, the streets alive with people and flags flying from housetop and window in honor of the event. On, on went the "Tally Ho" over pleasant roads lined with orchards redolent with blossom ing promises of fruity harvests, across picturesque bridges spanning historic streams, and through cities, towns and villages busy and industrious with the serious cares of life. But busy as they were the inhabitants found time to give a hearty welcome to the coach, as they listened to the piercing notes of the guard's horn or watched the dexterous driving of the coachman. Farmers halted in the furrow to wave their weather-beaten hats to the voyageurs, while from the distant homestead the good wife joined in the universal welcome. From first to last the trip was one continual triumph and the journey must have been a most exciting one to the participants. At every cross roads, in every town or village, at every bridge or tollgate, on distant hilltops, the "Tally Ho" found a hearty greeting as it passed along the road to Philadelphia. But when the coach reached Nicetown lane and entered Broad street all previous welcomes were outdone. for the party found several thousand carriages standing four deep, the line extending a distance of nearly two miles. Through this mighty concourse of vehicles the "Tally Ho" plunged on, and finally drew up at the St. George Hotel in gallant style. The description of the journey, published elsewhere, calls to mind Tom Pinch's coaching experience, and like that effort of Dickens it has a breezy air that is refreshing in these prosaic days of express trains and iron bound roads. The ride to Philadelphia was a gallant effort and it is gratifying to record the success attained, for though made for pleasure it cannot fail to have a wholesome effect in stimulating coaching from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Our Paris Cuble Letter.

We present our warmest congratulations to the French Republic on the success which attended the opening of the great Exposition in Paris. We were not before fully aware of the deliberate attempt by the defeated and snarling royalist and Bonapartist factions to make the ceremonies on the opening day a failure. Fortunately the people do not take counsel of these wretched partisans, who, having been sent photographic instruments will be employed, into retirement at the toe of the popular boot, sought to revenge their fall upon the Marshal President. Had they enthusiastically supported the Exhibition they could scarcely have injured it; but that was the only way they could have hoped to repel favor from it. The people, however, took the affair in hand, and by their order, peaceable disposition and self-respect gained a genuine victory for the Republic. Among the little fictions of the Bonapartists was one that the social disposition which leads to that lavish display which makes shopkeeping lucrative and the haberdashery industry brisk could only blossom under an imperial régime. Paris has proved that she can furnish her own "bread and circus" without the shadow of an Emperor at the Tuileries. It pleases us also to learn that our brethren of the American colony have been enjoying themselves gloriously in keeping this festival of the sister Republie. Our American Cardinal, who happens to be in the French capital and will soon be hieing homeward, has received a marked share of the graceful amenities of the day. To the Exhibition itself the masses have not begun to throng, because things are not in apple-pie order yet, but in a week or two we hope to hear of a perfect arrangement and an immense daily attendance.

Revival of the Anniversaries.

An effort has been made this year to re vive the old time enthusiasm for the May anniversaries, but without the old time hospitality which gave inspiration and emphasis to them. The Broadway Tabernacle, whose ancient halls when it stood down town reverberated with the eloquence of many an anniversary speaker, has for the associations connected with it been chosen for many of the general gatherings, and will be fully occupied for some days. The glory of anniversary week departed several years ago, and the annual meetings of the benevolent societies, whose centre is in New York, degenerated into cold and formal affairs. This was regretted and complained of in many quarters, as manifesting a popular lack of interest in the benevolences represented, which, however, the receipts of these societies ought to show is not the case. Dr. William Adams has taken the leading part in the revival of those annual gatherings, and the several churches in the vicinity of the Tabernacle and many others have been asked to omit their meetings during this week. There is an advantage in having the anniversaries concentrated, both the cause of the yacht club was popular and in time and place-they can be readily found and their business be promptly attended to. If the new Elevated Railroad in Sixth avenue was in operation it could drop visitors at the doors of the Tabernacle. While the old time enthusiasm is hardly to be expected, yet these meetings ought to receive a far more hearty support than has the yacht club will have more pleasant and been accorded to them for several years

The Official Eve.

Color blindness is an extraordinary thing. Dalton, who discovered it by finding crowd of his friends in ecstasies over at Alpine sunset which to him seemed nothing worth making a fuss about, was a philosopher. There are probably many other kinds of partial inefficiency of the optic nerves which have not been discovered. We think we have hit upon one of them, and are as proud of our discovery as Professor Peters over that of a little pup planet, with or without moons. Our discovery is official dirt-blindness. The late Lord Palmerston was probably dirtblind, for he defined dirt as "matter out of place," and as there is much matter so situated in this world he probably was not respectful toward other people's over-nicety on the subject. Our whole Police Board and Inspector Gunner are doubtless dirt-blind also. Our streets are very dirty; filthy, in some crowded localities, would be the better word, but the whole Board and Captain Gunner came out on the steps of the Marble Halls of Mulberry street and averred that the streets were very clean. In vain a HERALD reporter pointed to a particularly dead dog and a brace of dead cats within the throw of a club of Police Headquarters. The whole Board and Captain Gunner looked in the direction indicated. Said one, "There is a dead cat on the top of some decaying garbarge;" said another, "There is another dead cat reposing amid some house refuse;" said Captain Gunner, "There is a dead dog in a pool of slops, but-" and here they all spoke in impressive unison-"there is no dirt." We have, we think, proved our case. All these things are dirt and dirty, but our officials, who have occasionally Argus eyes for thieves, liquor sellers and drunken men, have no eyes for dirt. Yet they are our street cleaners. Is there no way to open their eyes? If not, we would advise cutting off their heads as a partial cure.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Providence has a baked potato club. Rochester Democraf:-"Newspapers are made, no

Congressman Martin I. Townsend, the radical wit is at home in Troy.

It costs the people \$50 an hour to light up a night session of the Senate.

The Richmond Dispatch thinks it wrong to arouse

the country against cities.
Simon Cameron now takes, care of his clothes and

wears a buttonhole bouquet. The Boston Transcript plainly sees that temperance

conteties are not temperate in language.

The Charleston Journal of Commerce says that cot on planting is ruin and that corn planting is waste. Bishop Medley, of Fredericton, N. B., will leave for England next week to attend the Council of Auglican

Exchange:-"At a full dress reception in Paris they called a man Adam because his wife's dress so closely resembled Eve's."

Senator Eaton, of Connecticut, has begun to wear a white stavepipe hat. There must be some politica Bignifloance in this.

Danbury News:—"There is a man in a Virginia joi

who has seven wives. He was arrested for marrying two girls in one village. He must be a music teacher. Southern journals have no faith in Mr. Tilden. They repudiate him. The only men who receive enthusi-astic and postical praise in Southern journals are Mr.

Dayis and Mr. Hayes.

"The Rock of Gibraltar is limestone capped with shale."—New York Herald. "You mean, perhaps, that the blarneystone is a shamrock, capped with shale-alah. "-Hank Watterson.

"Which party is the strongest, the greenback or the pullback ?"-Whitehall Times. "Ob, the pullback has the most followers -and the largest number of papers to support it."-Norristown Herald. Buffalo Express:-"The next confession will show

elected President and was counted out because of the thinness of his hair and statesmanship. Mr. Emerson's lecture in Boston the other pisht

was an argument for temperance in language. "Superlatives." he said, "are diminutives and weaken. The positive is the sinew of speech; the superlative the

Robinson of Hackensack, does not think that his daughter's beau should stay so late in the evening. The other morning she was praising the beau for his strength of character. "Yea," said Robinson, "he has great staying powers."

Alexander H. Stephens recently bad a parrow escape from drowning. In a thoughtless mood, while considering his chances for the Presidency, he stepped into a dewdrop the other morning and was rescued by Sunset Cox, who plunged in at the risk of his life and saved his fellow statesman.

P. T. Barnum says: - "I tell you, as a showman, you

can't make animals drink whiskey. They know better." The Norristown Herald says the showman is mistaken. We once heard a woman call out of a second story window to an object that had for nearly an hou been trying in vain to unlock the treat door, "Drunk again, you old hog, are you?"

The man in whose house Lincoln died wishes to sell the place to the government. After Lincoln died be the soap with which the physicians washed their hands. He also charged for admission to the house, and so made money. This man is the one who had his soul balanced on the point of a cambric peedle.

London World:-"Josef Israels painted some tim ago a picture of a young Dutch peasant woman sit-ting by a yet empty crastle and sewing the little garments of its future occupant. The woman's quiet and touching face is ugly, her dress homely and mod est, and the picture is solemnly, may austerely, pure; the artist carled it 'Expectation,' Is it in deference to public sensitiveness that it is now being exhibited at Goupli's Gattery with the title, destructive of its best meaning, of 'The Busy Housewite?'

Mr. Hayes had an administration council the other evening. The subject for deliberation was whether opsidering the statutes of the United States, it would he better for the Secretary of State to cecide plumply against the preparation of vessels for privateering, o to write an evasive letter so as to mollify the Russian nation, which was so friendly toward us during the givil war. Mr. Hayes at last turned to his wife and eard :- "Send the Czer one of my photographs and sign it in big letters Lucy R. Hayes."

London Truth:-"At a recent sale of Turner's works an amusing anecdote was current. A well known artist was at his easel, with his "boy in buttons" in attendance, when for a moment the artis coased painting, placing upon a chair his palette, upon which patenes of a variety of colors were dotted in admired disorder. The page thoughtlessly sat down upon the palette. The painter's rage at first knew no bounds; but anddenly he exclaimed, Stand still, boy, don't move; you have got a magnifi

cent Turner on your breeches! Novada Times:-"The editor and proprietor of the Gold Hill News is the same Alf. Doten who in the ear-Amaior county, and played second accordeon at the select stag dance given by Pap Vaughn at his grocery in Fort John in the winter of 1853. Olympia, the In-dian maiden of sixty odd summer, who distributed the beverage upon those festive occasions, took her broken heart to the nappy hunting grounds three moors after Alf. loft the camp to assume the position of local-in-chief on the Fiddietown Hugle of Freedom. With the exception of having his leg broken a lew dezen times his health since you knew him has been excellent. He is remarkably well preserved, and no stranger would estimate his age at more than sixyears. He retains his mollow voice, and sings 'Lez. ziana Quiri' and other pathetic ballada as awortly as in the days of yore."

TELEGRAPHIC

From All Parts of the World.

POOR PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

Todleben Will Force Turkey to Give Up the Fortresses.

SERVIA'S COUNTER-IRRITANT

Russia Agrees to Give Her Old Servia.

ACCOMPLISHING NOTHING. DIPLOMACY

The Holland Government and the Monetary Conference.

> OY CABLE TO THE BERALD. 1 LONDON, May 5, 1878.

The Herald correspondent in St. Peters-

burg telegraphs that even the most sanguine in the Russian capital are abandoning all hopes of peace. It is now asserted confidently that General Todleben will force a rupture if the Turks refuse to deliver up the fortresses.

NO CONGRESS-NO WITHDRAWAL.

The arrangements for the congress make no progress. England demands that Russia shall withdraw her army first and then her fleet will follow suit. An agreement on this question of mutual withdrawal is. therefore, not probable.

RUSSIA AND AUSTRIA AGREED.

An understanding between Austria and Russia is nearly complete. With Russia's consent Austrian troops will occupy Bosnia at the sound of the first cannon. This will leave England in a position of complete isolation.

SERVIA'S CLAIMS ALLOWED.

The result of the Servian General L'eschianin's mission to St. Petersburg is entirely satisfactory to the Servians, but will make a new complication that will make the preservation of European peace extremely difficult. The Czar has admitted the claim of the Belgrade government to that portion of Old Servia which was not allotted to Servia by the San Stefano Treaty. SERVIA RESUMES THE OFFENSIVE.

The offensive has been reopened by the Servian army against the Turks, with the

object of securing that territory. This is certain to create a difficulty with Austria, if not with England, and will periously in terfere with the military position of the

Notwithstanding the hopeful news of Russian oncessions announced from Vienna and intimated from St. Petersburg, it cannot be said that there is any positive change in the principle of the questions in dispute. It is said that a conciliatory dis position has prevailed in the councils of the St. Petersburg government, but it is asked, What does concession or conciliatory proposal? FORM VS. PRINCIPLE.

described as getting over difficulties of form by making lar reaching concessions on the merits of the question. But the misfortune seems to be that what the Russians consider a question of form England regards as a question of principle.

DECLINED WITH THANKS.

England demands the placing of the Treaty of San Stefano before the Congress for unreserved discussion; Russia, it is said, refuses to give way on that point.

In Berlin, as in London, the subject is treated with scepticism as long as it is known that Russia refuses to yield on the chief point and that England maintains her demand. WHAT THE CABINET THINKS.

The Times, in its leading editorial article yesterday, said:-"The British Cabinet admits in principie that an interchange of views respecting the substance of the treaty would be desirable in case the difficulties which now obstruct the Congress be removed, but it shows no inclination to waive this preliminary condition; accordingly it has bitherto refrained from expressing its views and has not yet replied to the annex to Prince Gortschakon's circular.

"In other words we are holding our case in reserve until the court before which it ought to be laid is properly constituted or at least until there is a fair prospect of its being thus constituted." TURKEY'S TURN TO BE A NEUTRAL

From the approaching re-establishment of diplo-matic relations with Russia, the Bassiret (newspaper of Constantinople) concludes that in case of a war between England and Russia, Turkey whi be neutral, but adds that the question is too involved to allow a definitive conviction on the subject.

SADYK PACHA CONFIRMS IT. serve neutrality in the event of war between England and Russia, and cause her own territory

to be respected.

A STRONG ARM IN COMMAND,

The Times' Pera correspondent telegraphs as follows:—"General Todleben is taking the Rhodopte insurrection vigorously in hand. Troops have been ordered up from Adrianopie and Philippopolis

CURRENT REPORTS. "Reports are current respecting the withdrawal of the Russian troops beyond the neutral zone. General Todleben is very desirous of taking up a strong defensive position, which his present disposition of his force does not afford."

AUSTRIA HAS NOT ARRANGED MATTERS.
The Berlin North-German Gazette denies that Austria has concluded a compromise with Russia or decided to immediately enter Bosma and Herze govina.

Le Nord, of Brussels, the Russian organ, denice the New York statement that Russia has enrolled 5,000 Irishmen to invade Nova Scotia and New

IGNATUREF'S SUCCESSOR. Considerable political importance is attached at St. Petersburg to the appointment of Priber The choice is agreeable to the Porte on account of his former tenure of office as Russian Ambasas after the Crimean war. The Prince is understood